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12. PLC) A letter from Mr. Maury to Representative Bob Wilson (R., Calif.) responding to a solicitation of funds by the California Parapsychology Foundation, Inc. was delivered to the office of Representative Wilson. The letter related the Agency's position last year when the organization made a direct appeal for funds, i.e., we are interested in such research but cannot grant financial assistance.
Assistant General Counsel (Fiscal Matters), Department of Defense, about DOD's position on the Symington amendment to the Military Procurement Act. Lanman said DOD's reclama statement recommended the deletion of this amendment from the bill. It cites the accounting problems which would be caused for the Executive Branch, the difficulty involved in applying the restrictions and consolidating reports from several different Government agencies, and the impediment this would place on the freedom of action of the President, especially in an emergency situation. I told Lanman we were in touch with both the House and Senate Armed Services Committee staffs and were advising them of the problems which the amendment would create for the Agency in terms of its scope, the disclosure of portions of the Agency budget in specific appropriations, and the difficulties created for us by the reporting procedures.
14GLC) Advised James Gehrig, Staff Director, Senate Space Committee, that access clearance to compartmented information had been granted to Charles Lombard, of the Committee staff. I said I would be signing him up in the next few days and we could then make arrangements to give the staff an updated briefing on Soviet space activities.
JOHN M. MAURY Legislative Counsel cc:
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